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AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Replace paragraph 0046 with the following amended paragraph:

A <u>non-raised</u> cutting edge part 5 is formed by the transition between [0046] each side face and the non-raised portion of the upper face 2. A non-raised cutting edge part 6 is formed by the transition between each side face 4 and a respective top face 8a. A transitional cutting edge part 7 is formed by the transition between each side face 4 and a respective transitional face 16. The profile configuration of the cutting edge parts 5, 6 and 7 can best be seen from FIG. 2b which is a view along arrow A1 onto the cutting bit shown in FIG. 2a. It is to be noted in this respect that the raised region 8 which can be seen at the bottom in FIG. 2b is displaced rearwardly with respect to the plane of the paper, so that the cutting edge profile 5, 6 and 7 in FIG. 2b approximately corresponds to half of the profile shown in FIG. 1. The other half of that profile is obtained simply by turning the cutting bit through 90° about the central axis 17, in which case then an adjacent side face 4 forms corresponding side edge parts with the top side 2 of the cutting bit or with the raised region and the transitional face so that overall the profile which is mirrored at the axis 17 in relation to FIG. 2b appears, in which case the working region of the cutting edge parts 5 overlaps more or less if the condition a' < 2a is satisfied.

Replace paragraph 0048 with the following amended paragraph:

[0048] In the present case however, in contrast to conventional cutting bits, the rake face is not defined by for example the surface 2. Rather during use of corresponding cutting bits in accordance with the invention the chips go away along the side faces (rake faces) 4 while portions of the surface 2, like the upper (top) side 8a of the raised region 8 and the corresponding transitional face 16, respectively form relief surfaces.

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